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RECRUITMENT OF "ADRIAN" (1943)

From: STOCKHOLM

To: MOSCOW

No: 657, 658

Thorsten THORSEN 26 Feb. 43

Part I] To [Name No. 42]^[i]

Tul'b'ern TURSEN[a] - 27 years old, born in OSLO, member of a Norwegian organization friendly to us (but the Norwegian Government does not know about this).

Before the war he sailed on whaling ships on [B% expeditions] to [B% southern latitudes]. At the beginning of the war his ship was seized by the Germans. TURSEN spent about a year as a prisoner in FRANCE. Returning to NORWAY, he worked in a government intelligence agency and later was transferred to the staff of the Military Attache in STOCKHOLM, on whose instructions he went to NORWAY several times. He engaged in all this work with the sanction of the friendly organization.

Part II] We will call him "ADRIAN". [B. The preliminary development [RAZR.BOTKA] [i] [2 groups unrecovered] by OOKAR [ii], and we will then put him in touch with [RONAR [iii]]. To begin with we shall be getting through him intelligence [INFORM.TsIYa] delivered by their [c] network [AGENTURA], but later [1 group unrecovered] his own. He is to be trusted and there is no fear that he will become a double agent. Immediately after he arrives from there [d], we shall get some intelligence.

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[Name No. 59]^[iv]

[Notes and Comments overleaf]

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- Notes: [a] Assuming a one-letter error in the Christian name this could be transliterated as Thorbjørn THORSEN. *Correct*
- [b] Presumably of "ADRIAN". THORSEN
- [c] Presumably "their" refers to OSKAR and RUNAR.
- [d] The expression "from there[OTTUDA]" has the implication that he is at this time away, presumably in NORWAY, although this is not clear from the preceding text.

- Comments: [i] Name No. 42 : Possibly Captain (1st Rank) M. A. VORONTSOV.
- [ii] OSKAR : Unidentified cover-name. First occurrence.
- [iii] RUNAR : Unidentified cover-name. See also STOCKHOLM's No. 471 of 10th March 1942 (3/NBF/T1474).
- [iv] Name No. 59 : Probably Capt. Aleksej TERADIN, Soviet Naval Attaché in STOCKHOLM.